

August 10, 2021

Mr. Greg Dunbar, AIA
Division of District Support
300 Sower Blvd., 4th Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601

**Re: BG No: 20-236
New Head Start School
Paducah Public Schools
500 South 25th St.
Paducah, KY 42003**

Waiver Requests per KAR 4:160

Dear Mr. Dunbar:

We are requesting two (2) waivers in accordance with 701 KAR 4:160 for the following items:

Waiver Request #1

SD Response item #6: Due to the new Paducah Head Start building program is based on a Federally funded grant for 320 students (ages 3-5). The federal grant requirement of spaces and staff positions, Paducah Public Schools would ask that the program be recognized at 37,395 NSF, or 55,111 GSF, compared to a KDE model program for 320 students (34,459 GSF), as such the design program is at 160% (gross). A portion of the indoor practice facility (15,541 GSF) will be bid as an alternate and paid for by General Funds. We ask that a waiver be granted allowing our program to exceed the KDE limit of 115% size threshold.

Waiver Request #2

SD Response Item #7: Due to increased security demands and the wish to minimize exterior doors, the Paducah Public Schools is asking for a waiver of the requirement of Preschool classrooms to have a direct access to outside playground areas (per parts 2.b.3.1 & 2.b.3.3). Three sets of doors off the main corridor provide for this access and better security control to and from the building.

We hope this letter has satisfied any concerns, and otherwise serves to fulfill our waiver request. If you have further concerns or any questions, please contact us, and we will address them.

Thank you for your attention to this project.

Respectfully submitted,
Paducah Public Schools